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TO AMEMBASSY TOKYO

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TAGS: EIND, ETRD, JA

SUBJECT: EFFECT OF DROUGHT CONDITIONS ON JAPANESE STEEL  
INDUSTRY

1. DEPARTMENT HAS SEEN REPORTS IN "JAPAN METAL DAILY,"  
"AMERICAN METAL MARKET" (AMM); AND LONDON "METAL BULLETIN"  
RE WATER SHORTAGES AFFECTING JAPANESE STEEL PRODUCTION.  
LATTER PUBLICATION CALLS CURRENT JAPANESE DROUGHT SEVEREST  
IN HALF CENTURY, AND SAYS JAPANESE STEEL INDUSTRY GRAVELY  
CONCERNED SINCE WATER SHORTAGE RAPIDLY REACHING CRISIS  
POINT. AMM'S FRED SAITO REPORTS FROM TOKYO THAT MITI HAS  
BEGUN CONSIDERATION OF RESTRICTIONS ON JAPANESE STEEL  
EXPORTS IN ORDER AVERT DOMESTIC SUPPLY CRISIS.

2. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S ASSESSMENT OF  
EFFECTS REPORTED WATER SHORTAGES ON JAPANESE STEEL PRO-  
DUCTION AND POSSIBLE IMPACT ON EXPORTS. ROGERS

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